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/ THE GALLOPING ACE /

Photoplay in five reels /

/ From the story "Hard Rock" by Jacques Jaccard ✓

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"THE GALLOPING ACE"

Five-Reel Universal Attraction

Starring **JACK HOXIE**

JACK GALE, a former cowboy, later employed in a marble quarry, loses his job because he is too honest to conform with the ideas of David Kincaid, who has charge of the quarry. Gale gets a job on a neighboring ranch, owned by Anne Morse, and where Gale's old buddy, Zack Williams, is also employed. The ranch is heavily mortgaged to Kincaid, who desires the ranch for its rich deposit of black marble and also desires the beautiful girl who owns the ranch.

Kincaid signs a contract for a big order of black marble, knowing that he cannot fill it from his own quarry, but figuring that he will have the Morse quarry in time to supply the stone. He tries to foreclose the mortgage, but is balked, so tries to take the place by force. In this exploit he encounters a lot of opposition in the person of Gale, a former world war soldier and skilled in war-time tactics.

Gale and Williams run a line of dynamite lines around the quarry and when Kincaid appears with his gunmen, he meets a bombardment that would have done credit to the western front during the war. The quarry and the ranch are saved in a thrilling war, and Gale and the girl fall in love.

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